

What is claimed is:

sub a² 1. An image processing device for processing images which are recorded in a recording medium, comprising:

an indicator which commands a processing to be executed for the image;

a setter which sets up data in accordance with the processing commanded by said indicator;

a deletion directional member which directs to delete the image recorded in said image recording medium;

a compressor which compresses the image based on said data when said deletion directional member directs to delete the image; and,

a recorder which stores the compressed image.

2. The image processing device as claimed in claim 1, wherein said compressor alters a compression rate of the image based on said data.

3. The image processing device as claimed in claim 1, wherein said data is evaluation value for the image.

sub a³ 4. An image processing method for processing images which are recorded in a recording medium, comprising:

a step of commanding a processing to be executed for the image;

a step of setting up data in accordance with the commanded processing;

a step of directing to delete the image recorded in said

image recording medium;

a step of compressing the image based on said data when the deletion of the image is directed; and,

a step of storing the compressed image.

5. An image processing device for processing images which are recorded in a recording medium, comprising:

an indicator which commands a processing to be executed for the image;

a recorder which records a time when the indicator commands a processing;

a timer which measures an elapsed time since said time; and,

a setter which sets up a compression rate for the image based on output from said timer.

6. The image processing device as claimed in claim 5, further comprising:

a detector which detects that said indicator gives no command for a predetermined time or more based on the output from said timer; and,

a controller which controls so as to increase said compression rate based on the output from said detector.

7. The image processing device as claimed in claim 6, wherein said controller sets up lower evaluation value for the image when the indicator gives no command for a predetermined time or more based on the output from said timer.

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8. An image processing method for processing images which are recorded in a recording medium, comprising:

a step of commanding a processing to be executed for the image ;

a step of recording a time when the indicator commands a processing;

a step of measuring an elapsed time since said time; and,

a step of setting up a compression rate for the image data based on said measured date and time.

9. The image processing method as claimed claim 8, further comprising:

a step of setting up a higher compression rate when it is detected that no command is given for a predetermined time or more.

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10. An image processing device for processing images which are recorded in a recording medium, comprising:

an indicator which commands a processing to be executed for the image;

a setter which sets up evaluation value for the image;

a recorder which records a time when said indicator commands a processing;

a timer which measures an elapsed time since said time;

a detector which detects that said indicator gives no command for a predetermined time or more based on the output from said timer; and,

a controller which sets up lower evaluation value based on

~~the output from said detector.~~

11. The image processing device as claimed claim 10, wherein said evaluation value is set up in accordance with the command from said indicator.

Sub 26 12. An image processing method for processing images which are recorded in a recording medium, comprising:

a step of commanding a processing to be executed for the image;

a step of setting up evaluation value for the image;

a step of recording a time when said processing is commanded;

a step of measuring an elapsed time since said time; and,

a step of setting lower evaluation value when no command is given for the image for a predetermined time or more.

13. The image processing method as claimed in claim 12, further comprising:

a step of setting up said evaluation value in accordance with said command to be executed for the image.

Sub 27 14. An image processing system for processing images which are recorded in a recording medium, comprising:

a transfer circuit which transfers images recorded in a first recording medium, into a second recording medium differing from the first recording medium;

a recorder which records data indicating that the image recorded in said first recording medium is transferred into said

second recording medium;

a deletion directional member which directs to delete the image recorded in said first recording medium;

a detector which detects whether the image has already been transferred into said second recording medium based on said data when said deletion directional member directs to delete the image; and,

an indicator which indicates the detecting result output from said detector.

15. The image processing system as claimed in claim 14, wherein, in a state that the indicator indicates the detecting result, and when said deletion directional member directs the deletion, the image and said data are deleted.

16. The image processing system as claimed in claim 14, wherein said data is recorded in the first recording medium.

Sub 28 17. An image processing method for processing recorded images, comprising:

a step of transferring image recorded in a first recording medium, into a second recording medium differing from the first recording medium;

a step of recording data indicating that the image is transferred;

a step of directing to delete the image;

a step of judging whether the image has already been transferred into said second recording medium based on said data

when the deletion of the image is directed; and,
a step of indicating the judgment result.

18. An image processing method as claimed in claim 17, further comprising:

a step of deleting the image and said data when the deletion of the image is directed in a state indicating the judgment result.

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